Proposed Changes to MPDES Program Rules - 2020

(Montana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System)

On February 7, 2020 DEQ will propose to the Board of Environmental Review to revise and update the following portions of the MPDES Program Rules:

Changes to Application Requirements for all Applicants other than Publicly Owned Treatment Works

Provide North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Codes

Provide operator electronic mail address

- ARM 17.30.1322(6)(d)

Indicate whether cooling water is used

- ARM 17.30.1322(6)(i)

Indicate intent to request a variance

- ARM 17.30.1322(6)(j)

Change to Application Requirements for Existing Manufacturing, Commercial Mining, and Silvicultural Dischargers

Allow dischargers to use existing data in the application process - ARM 17.30.1322(7)(g)(x)

Changes to Application Requirements for New and Existing Publicly Owned Treatment Works

Provide electronic mail address of applicant

- ARM 17.30.1322(12)(a)(ii)

Provide electronic mail address of discharge transporter

- ARM 17.30.1322(12)(a)(viii)(D)(II)

Provide electronic mail address of discharge receiver

- ARM 17.30.1322(12)(a)(viii)(D)(III)

Indicate intent to request a variance

- ARM 17.30.1322(12)(a)(ix)

New POTWs must submit initial sampling data within 24 months

- ARM 17.30.1322(12)(d)

New POTWs must submit WET testing results within 24 months

- ARM 17.30.1322(12)(e)

- ARM 17.30.1322(12)(f)(i)

in addition to significant industrial users (SIUs)

Provide electronic mail address of operation and maintenance contractor - ARM 17.30.1322(12)(i)

Two New Definitions Clarifying Pesticide General Permit

"pesticide discharges from pesticide application" - ARM 17.30.1304 (51)
"pesticide residue" - ARM 17.30.1304 (52)

Change to Public Notice Requirements

Allow public notices to be published on the Department's website - ARM 17.30.1372(5)(e)

Remove Outdated Provisions

Remove outdated provision from 1986 - ARM 17.30.1203(2)(b)
Remove outdated federal reference - ARM 17.30.1350(1)(a)

Editorial Changes

Remove erroneous subsection references - ARM 17.30.1202(30), 1340(1,2,4)
Renumber to accommodate for two new definitions - ARM 17.30.1304(51)-(81)
Update DEQ contact phone number - ARM 17.30.1322(1)(a)
Clarify the 24-month reporting requirement for new applicants - ARM 17.30.1322(10)(e)(vii)
Remove redundant incorporation by reference - ARM 17.30.1340(10)
Correct reference to the federal Clean Water Act - ARM 17.30.1341(4)(a)(vi)
Change implementation reference to Montana rule - ARM 17.30.1345(5)(b)

Remove reference to inapplicable rule - ARM 17.30.1350(1), 1361(3)(b)

Remove outdated incorporation by reference - ARM 17.30.1350(3)

Remove reference to a repealed rule - ARM 17.30.1331(6), 1340(10),

1342(15), 1344(2), 1345(12),

1346(6), 1354(4)